

**ABSTRACT**

The present invention relates to a medicament for treating addiction craving which is characterized in that the medicament consists of a combination of two administration forms, one of the administration forms continuously releasing at least one modulator of nicotinic receptors and the other administration form enabling a rapid entry of galanthamine into the central nervous system, as well as a two-stage method for the therapy of substance craving through modulation of neuronal nicotinic receptors, wherein a permanent treatment with a pharmaceutical administration form which continuously delivers a modulator of nicotinic receptors is supplemented upon the appearance of a strong craving for a substance by administering galanthamine or a pharmacologically acceptable salt thereof by means of an administration form which enables rapid entry of this modulator into the central nervous system.